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**NOTICE.**  
HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held TO-MORROW, the 28th March, 1906, at 4 P.M., in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes, viz:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1905.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any general business.

By Order, A. R. LOWE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1906. [379]

**LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**NOTICE.**  
THE TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, on SATURDAY, the 31st March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 14th March 1906. [14]

**THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.**

THE FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE Company will be held in the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, 7th April, 1906, at 11.45 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st February, 1906, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th, to SATURDAY, 7th April, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 24th March, 1906. [382]

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Hongkong, 24th March, 1906. [386]

**THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**HONGKONG STATION.**  
REFERRING to the Notice of 20th December, 1905, and subsequent Notices, Senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that, from 1st APRIL NEXT, the Currency equivalent of the Franc will, subject to revision after three months, be fixed at \$0.40, at which rate the charge for all Telegrams will be collected from the said date.

OLAF NIELSEN,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 20th March, 1906. [369]

**NOTICE.**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS MORTIMER OSULLIVAN, LATE OF SWATOW, IN THE EMPIRE OF CHINA, PILOT, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all CREDITORS should send their CLAIMS against the above Estate to the undersigned before the 26th day of April, 1906, failing which they will not be recognised.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1906.  
G. WILLIAMS,  
Executor.  
c/o Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.

## Auctions.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,  
TO-MORROW,  
the 28th March, 1906, at 11 A.M., at the late Offices of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., 3rd Floor of No. 2, Queen's Building, Praya Central,  
**SUNDRY OFFICE FURNITURE,**  
Comprising:—  
DESKS, TABLES, BOOK CASES, CHAIRS, MAPS, CLOCKS, BOXES, COPYING PRESSES, IRON SAFE, &c., &c.  
ALSO  
TYPEWRITERS as follows:—One Old Pattern Remington, One New Up-to-date Remington, One New Underwood, One William's hardly used, One Camera. Catalogues will be issued.  
TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1906. [370]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions, from the Registrar, Supreme Court, to sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
TO-MORROW,  
the 28th March, 1906, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at No. 4, Seymour Road,  
THE GOODS AND CHATELAINS OF CHAU TUNG SANG,  
THE WHOLE OF HIS  
**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,**  
Comprising:—  
MARBLE-TOP HATSTAND WITH GLASS, CUT-GLASS MIRRORS, MOROCCO-COVERED DINING ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD OVERMANTELS WITH GLASS, BOOK CASES, WHATNOTS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLES, CHEST-OF-DRAWERS, MARBLE-TOP TABLES, TEA TABLES, Double and Single IRON BEDSTEPS WITH WIRE MATTRESSES, &c., &c., &c.  
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A large quantity of CHINESE BLACK-WOOD FURNITURE;  
AND ON  
FRIDAY,  
the 30th March, 1906, at 2.30 P.M., at "Glenside,"  
THE GOODS AND CHATELAINS OF CHAU TUNG SANG,  
Comprising:—  
BUILDERS AND IRONMONGERY, Brass Work of Superior Quality, Comprising:—  
FIRE, FLUSH AND ESPAGNOLETTE BOLTS, CASEMENT STAYS, CARRIAGE HOOKS, HINGES AND BOLTS, REIN AND MORTISE LOCKS, FINGER PLATES AND ELECTRIC BELL PUSHES AND GALVANIZED IRON WORK, comprising:—BOLTS, HINGES AND BUTTS. Catalogues will be issued.  
TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1906. [364]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,  
at his Sales Rooms, No. 2, Zeland Street, on  
THURSDAY, the 29th March, at 11 A.M.,  
Comprising:  
**SUNDRY FANCY GOODS, GRAMOPHONES COMBINATION CASH-BOXES, BICYCLES, SUIT LENGTHS, LADIES' DUST COATS, &c., &c.**  
TERMS:—As usual.  
F. KIENE,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1906. [383]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
ON  
THURSDAY, the 29th March, at 2.30 P.M., within his residence, "Edenhall," Lytleton Road,  
THE WHOLE OF HIS  
**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE**  
THEREIN CONTAINED,  
Comprising:—  
TEAKWOOD HATSTAND WITH GLASS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE AND CHAIRS, DINNER WAGONS WITH BEVELED GLASS, TEAKWOOD OVERMANTELS, CHIPPENDALE CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES WITH BEVELED GLASS, CHEST-OF-DRAWERS, Double and Single IRON BEDSTEPS WITH WIRE AND HAIR MATTRESSES, SHANGHAI BATHS, COOKING STOVE AND UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.  
On view on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 10.30 A.M.  
Catalogues will be issued.  
TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1906. [378]

**NOTICE.**  
THE SALE BY AUCTION OF ALMA BATU KAVAN AND PRYE ESTATES stands postponed to a future date, of which due notice will be given.

KENNEDY & Co., Auctioneers.  
A. A. ANTHONY & Co.,  
Penang, 16th February, 1906. [376]

**Notice of Firm.**  
THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE this day given over charge of this branch to Mr. E. ORMISTON.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
A. R. LINTON,  
Acting Manager.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1906. [388]

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No. 5, D'Aguiar Street,  
and  
No. 37, Elgin Road, Kowloon.  
Hongkong, 21st March, 1906. [36]

## THE LATE MR. PETER SYS.

I have been surprised at the few remarks that have been made with regard to the death of Mr. Peter Sys, or "French Peter" as we knew him best. In his death, the community has suffered a great loss. I may even add: one that is irreparable. Dozens—rather an elastic term I admit, but I will go still further, and say many dozens—of people who are alive and well-to-day, have to thank "French Peter" for their being still alive. I could give a string of names myself, of well-known Shanghai residents, and besides them there are those who came to take his treatment from the outposts as well as a few from distant parts of the world also.

It has been a well-known fact that "French Peter" had to take on cases that were hopeless in very many instances, yet his marvellous cure—when hope had deserted the patient and his or her friends came as a last resort to Mr. Sys, his method and medicine brought them back to life. His last two most notable cures prove what I write—a lady—given up—only a question of time and a short time too. Only a few weeks in which to live. A gentleman, for five years in the doctors' hands in various parts of the world, fading away by inches, yet "French Peter" at the eleventh hour, rescued what seemed to be two absolutely hopeless cases and these patients are to-day with us and are hale and hearty.

Peter Sys—kindest-hearted of men—generous to a degree—has passed beyond the border. I understand his great secret has been entrusted to others, under certain conditions, so that it is to be hoped his marvellous remedy is not lost to the world, but, the matter mind and hand, the brain and conscientious work that left no stone unturned, as regards the carrying out of his cure, are gone for ever, and it is in this respect that in all probability trouble may be found in the future. We may have the medicine, but the application of it and the knowledge of how it was affecting each patient, was one of the most important items in administering it. It may be said without exaggeration, that many of the cures brought about by the late Peter Sys have been on the border land of miracles.—*Sport and Gossip.*

## LAST OF THE AMERICAN BLUZZARD.

MARRIED MANY WIDOWS.

New York, 23rd Feb.

John Hoch, the American Bluebeard, who admitted that he had married 13 wives, and who, according to the police, was the husband of 50, was hanged to-day in Chicago for poisoning his last wife but one.

Three times he had faced the gallows: three times a technicality in the procedure of the American criminal law obtained him a temporary respite. Frantic efforts were made to secure his further reprieve, and even this morning, after the procession to the scaffold had started, the lawyers for the defence got the execution postponed for two hours.

The condemned man said he would fight the warden if he was hanged before half-past one p.m.

HIS PHILOSOPHY OF MARRIAGE.

Hoch knew how to hypnotize middle-class widows of 40, particularly if they possessed comfortable incomes. He expounded his philosophy at his trial.

All women, he said, are crazy to be married unless they are freaks. Any man who is attentive and sympathetic can marry a thousand women if he perseveres. The marrying mania never deserts them. Some are discriminating, the majority are not. Widows are always the easiest prey, for if they cannot re-marry—well, they will re-marry anyhow.

Hoch was born at Bingen on the Rhine, and later had studied chemistry at Berlin. His criminal records outrivalled Deeming's.

A RECORD OF CRIME.

The evidence shows that he married several wives in France and England, appropriated their money, murdered over their premature decease, changed his name, fled to America, and during 1904 wandered all over the States marrying widows, deserting them as soon as he had hands on their property.

In December, 1904, he became reckless, and married Mrs. Welcker, a rich Chicago widow. Within three weeks she died of Bright's disease. While she was lying dead in the room he proposed to her sister, Mrs. Fisher, also a widow of means.

BOLTED TWO HOURS AFTER MARRIAGE.

Three days after the funeral she married him, handed him all her money, and two hours after the ceremony he fled. The police started a hue and cry, and amazing stories of his matrimonial exploits poured in from all parts of the world. The American newspapers had discovered a sensation of the first magnitude, and vied with one another in publishing harrowing tales and still more harrowing photographs.

Hoch was often in New York, but he never stopped longer than 24 hours at the same hotel. In his excellent disguise he enjoyed reading the New York papers, which daily devoted whole pages to him.

NOW HE WAS CAUGHT.

Then he sought shelter in a small boarding-house, where he offered to marry the landlady. But the landlady, who was a reader of the newspapers, promptly told the police, and his arrest followed.

After that events moved rapidly. There was his dramatic entry into Chicago in the presence of enormous crowds; and his sentence of death, passed on 8 June.

A remarkable feature of the murderer's closing days was the devotion of his last wife, Mrs. Fisher, who brought delicacies to his cell from the day of his condemnation to the day of his death.—*London Morning Leader.*

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1906. [363]

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Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [72]

**TO LET.**  
No. 15, KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 30th December, 1905. [74]

**TO LET.**  
GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAYA, Kennedy Town.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 27th June, 1906. [73]

**TO LET.**  
(FROM JUNE, 1906).  
No. 2, ANTRIM VILLAS, Des Voeux Road, Kowloon. A Five-Roomed House.  
Apply to—  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
8, Des Voeux Road.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1906. [359]

**OFFICES TO LET.**  
OFFICES on the Second Floor of No. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, facing the Praya and the Queen's Statue, lately vacated by the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, to whom please apply for particulars.  
Hongkong, 6th March, 1906. [316]

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1906. [147]

**TO LET.**  
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WONG KAM FUK,  
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Hongkong, 4th December, 1905. [30]

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Hongkong, 10th May, 1904. [38]

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THE MANAGER.  
Macao, 14th October, 1905. [39]

## Intimations.



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Hongkong, 12th June, 1905. [14]



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## BIRTH.

On the 22nd March, at Shanghai, the wife of ERNEST L. MARSH, M.B., D.P.H., of a daughter.

## MARRIAGE.

On the 22nd March, at Shanghai, by the Rev. A. J. Walker, M.A., ARTHUR MATHER PRYCE, of Sefton Park, Liverpool, to LUZIE, eldest daughter of H. W. B. van Corbach, of Shanghai.

## DEATH.

On the 21st March, at Shanghai, MIGUEL LUIZ DE CASTRO, aged 29.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1906.

## RECRUDESCENCE OF PIRACY.

Piracy in the Canton delta has reached such a pitch that nothing but the most vigorous action and repressive measures will now exterminate the disease. Some few days ago a case of piracy occurred in the vicinity of Macao, when a native junk was attacked and valuables to the amount of \$3,000 stolen. Prior to that a steamboat was "held up" by a gang of pirates in the West River and several thousand dollars' worth of goods carried away. On Friday last, the pirates, emboldened by the criminal apathy of the Chinese Government, and the disinclination of foreign warships to breed trouble by interfering with what is in reality a matter touching the internal government of China, surrounded a steam launch belonging to the Standard Oil Company, between Canton and Kongmun, overpowered the crew, and stole whatever they could lay their hands upon. The audacity and barefaced lawlessness which have characterised these crimes on peaceable trading vessels indicate that these pirates have assumed a degree of recklessness which is highly dangerous and may result in a terrible tragedy unless retribution is meted out with a swift and summary hand. Once the pirates get the idea that they have cowed the authorities and out-run punishment, they will proceed to extremities and defy capture, executing vengeance on any who may seek to betray them. There can be no doubt that the success which has attended the pirates up to the present time has induced others to rally to the black flag, and it is the policy of the leaders to expound a theory that they are immune to firearms and under the special protection of their gods. Canton is a veritable hotbed of criminality, where a great part of the population is at heart in opposition to all law and order. When it is known, therefore, that gangs of pirates are plundering junks in broad daylight, thereby showing their contempt for the authorities; there will be a rush to join these marauding bands. One of the serious features of the attack on the Standard Oil Company's launch is the methodical fashion in which they prepared to receive the vessel. The pirates flotilla looked like a fleet of fishing boats, and the launch steamed unsuspectingly into the trap which had been laid for it. Then the boats closed round the launch, which was helpless and reigned supreme as masters of the vessel. No resistance was offered by the crew, and consequently the pirates contented themselves with securing the sailors to the deck. But what will happen when the pirates attack—as assuredly they will, unless they are caught and punished with the utmost rigour of the law—a vessel on board of which there are Europeans? It cannot be believed that Europeans will tamely submit to be trussed like fowls, so long as they have a revolver handy, and in that case the exasperated and fanatic horde of Chinese criminals will not hesitate to massacre every person on board. They have done it before, and the nature of the Chinese pirate has not undergone any gigantic reformation. Already the pirates of the Canton delta have shown that the law has no terrors for them. No doubt they have accessories on shore who keep them informed as to what is being done to arrest the career of the pirates. And as these friends have only had to report so far that the Viceroy and his officials are too busy with other affairs to bother about pirates, no matter how bold or contemptuous, there will be fostered in the pirates a sense of security and a belief in the impotence of the officials which will find expression in increased depredations. Over and over again the Customs officers have vainly besought the Chinese Government to adopt active measures to root out the pestiferous gangs who harass shipping on the principal rivers on the southern coast. They have

pointed out how trade is hampered at every point; how life is rendered insecure; and how the Government itself is the loser in the long run. But the Chinese officials have quietly shelved these reports. Nothing has been done to check the rapacity of the pirates. The result is that piracy is prevalent to-day from the extreme south-west to the extreme north-east of the Chinese coast. They infest Chefoo just as they swarm in Canton. The other day two Chinese pirate junks sailed in to a point in front of the Russian consulate at Chefoo, loaded up with lumber which was being discharged from a steamer there, and sailed away, to the consternation of Chinese watchmen who were frantically waving their arms and shouting for someone to intercept the robbers. The operation of getting the lumber in tow took considerable time, yet as the hour was early, the pirates were able to proceed with their work unmolested. In another case some Chinese pirates boarded five junks, hoisted the sails and got clear away with the boats. A contemporary remarks: "The situation is rather alarming, and opinions are expressed on all hands that something must be done quickly; otherwise there will be great property losses and trade will be interrupted." It rests with the foreign fleets in Chinese waters to take the matter into their own hands, leave the authorities to mind their own business, and determinedly to stamp out the pirates. In no other way will this menace and danger to shipping be expunged, and the sooner that a start is made to sweep the waters in the vicinity of Hongkong clear of the gangs which lie in wait for traders, the better it will be for the credit of the foreign navies in this part of the world.

## THE JAPANESE SQUADRON'S VISIT.

The average Britisher is not given to an excessive display of his feelings, but it must have been evident to Rear-Admiral Shimamura, and the officers and the men of the Japanese training squadron which has been visiting Hongkong that the Anglo-Japanese alliance appeals very strongly to the minds of the people and especially to Jack Tar himself. Of course the British man-of-war's man is a genial companion who is only happy when in company, but he is at pains to select his company. On many occasions the British tar has shown that he has antipathies as well as friendships, and as a rule he has not been slow to manifest his views. There can not be the slightest doubt on which side his feelings are with regard to the Japanese sailors, for during the stay of our ally's squadron in Hongkong the British sailor has fraternised with his Far Eastern prototype in a fashion which speaks volumes for the camaraderie existing between the two fleets. Perhaps no better evidence of the strength and power behind the alliance could be obtained. Had it been otherwise, had the British sailor refused to accept on equal terms the personnel of our ally's fleet, or had there been any hesitation or apparent reluctance on the part of the Japanese to associate themselves on a plane of equality with the British, the augury for the future would have been ominous indeed. For where there is jealousy or scorn on either side combined action is impossible, and momentous results might flow from the petty discord between friendly Powers. But the very reverse has been the case. The Japanese have been the recognised guests of their British confederates; they have been fêted and feasted by the British Jacks, and although the Colony has sought to give expression and force to the pleasure with which it welcomed the visiting squadron, the real hosts have been the men of the lower deck. At every function the British sailor has exerted himself spontaneously to prove his regard for his Far Eastern friend, and it must be evident to all who attended these ceremonies that the regard was mutual. Herein lies a fact which is one of the surest guarantees of peace for future nations recognising the solidarity of this international compact—an alliance not only of governments but also of people—would care to test the strength of the combined insular Powers. The final functions in connection with the visit took place yesterday, when Japanese and British sailors were entertained to dinner. The residents of the Colony attended the "at home" given by Rear-Admiral Shimamura on the flagship *Yakushima*, and, while enjoying true Japanese hospitality, witnessed the sports which belong peculiarly to Japan. In the evening the Admiral and officers were entertained at the Hongkong Club, and to-day the squadron departed on their tour in the south. The visit of the Japanese squadron has been in every way successful, for it cemented the cordial relations which exist between the fleets of the two countries, and afforded each an opportunity of becoming better acquainted with the other and appreciating the virtues of one another. For that and other reasons it is to be hoped that these visits will be frequent and equally happy in the future.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Japanese Navy announces that the 27th of May will be kept as its War Anniversary.

COLONEL Shiba has been appointed Military Attaché to the Japanese Embassy in London.

It is reported from St. Petersburg that the court-martial which is to be held on General Suessel will open shortly.

The new Japanese protective tariff is likely to give rise to foreign criticism; the Diet, however, is inclined to pass it, with modifications.

"WE reproduce, on page 7 of the present issue, the amended Chinese Exclusion Act which has been introduced in the House of Representatives.

THE I. C. steamer *Kulwa*, from Hankow, reported on the 23rd inst. the C. N. steamer *Hangchow* ashore at Kushan Point, at 10.04 a.m. on the 2nd inst.

Mr. de Rijke, Mr. H. E. Hobsen and Mr. Ku Hung-ming left Shanghai for Nanking on the *Kiangtswan* on the 21st inst. to consult the Viceroy in Constancy matters.

THE subscriptions to the new Japanese Imperial five per cent. loan of 200,000,000 yen, amount to over 37,000,000 yen, the foreign applications, chiefly from London, amounting to five millions.

THE Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending 10th March amounted to 17,817.85 tons, and the sales during the period to 14,211.17 tons.

THE following is the return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 25th March:—Library—Non-Chinese, 2721; Chinese, 123; total, 395. Museum—Non-Chinese, 217; Chinese, 3,515; total, 3,732.

THE Portuguese community in Shanghai celebrated on the 21st inst. the 19th birthday of Prince Luiz Philippe, Duke of Braganza, eldest son of the King. The men-of-war in harbour dressed ship and flew the Portuguese flag at the main.

A SINGULAR survival of ancient customs in the House of Lords in the fashion of the tellers, who carry little wands, as they count the members voting. They stand inside the House and touch each peer or bishop on the shoulder with the cane as he enters from the lobby, and so count the strength of their side.

THE Law of Procedure compiled by Vice-President Wu Ting-fang, consisting of two hundred and ninety articles and revised by Tsao Je-jin and Chiang Chung-ho, has been duly passed as the final text at the Council of Revision of Codes in Peking on the 17th March and will soon be memorialized to the Throne.

TWO trucks came into collision at the corner of Eastern Street and Des Voeux Road West yesterday afternoon, with the result that a coolie in charge of one of the trucks had to be removed to hospital with a broken leg. It was stated that one of the trucks broke away and came down Eastern Street at a good rate and collided with another truck passing along Des Voeux Road at the time.

HO Hing, a coolie, appeared before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne this morning charged with stealing \$4 from a girl yesterday. It appears that a servant girl, about twelve years of age, was walking along Des Voeux Road Central yesterday, when defendant, who came up from behind, snatched the money she had in her hand and bolted. His Worship sentenced him to six weeks' hard labour, to be exhibited in the stocks for six hours, and to receive six strokes with the birch.

J. LARDEY, seaman, of the French cruiser *Montcalm*, was charged at the Police Court this morning with behaving in a disorderly manner while drunk in the Central Hotel, yesterday. It was stated that defendant removed his tunic and attempted to assault a rich lady. He was stopped by a policeman and became disorderly. Mr. Hazeland fined him \$3. A similar fine was imposed on J. Ba'ach from the same ship for being disorderly at the Star Ferry wharf yesterday afternoon.

LI Yeung Hin, keeper of a Chinese restaurant at 437, Queen's Road West, was charged by Inspector Collett this morning with permitting disorder on his licensed premises on the 23rd instant. Evidence heard was to the effect that *chai nut* was being played after hours, and when the police warned the players they gave the officer impudence. The defendant said that he knew nothing of the matter as it was his *lot* who was impudent to the police, and he was willing to discharge that *lot*. A fine of \$10 was imposed, and the defendant informed that if it occurred again he would probably lose his licence.

"MORE thieving is carried on nowadays on house-tops than by any other means," remarked a policeman to-day. Last night a coolie travelled over the roofs of houses for nearly two hours in search of something to steal. After about three-quarters of an hour he came to two bags of dried fish that were left on the roof by the owner to dry. He picked up the bags, took them, cautiously, to the edge of the roof and dropped them into Queen's Road. A policeman who was standing near at hand, knew that there was some "fishy" business going on above, and walked behind a pillar for the one who would carry away the bags. He did not wait long. A coolie came out of an empty house and made for the fish. The policeman came from behind the pillar and made for the coolie, and all repaired to the nearest police station. The coolie was arraigned before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court to-day, and sentenced to three weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks.

THERE are eighty-two cases of plague recorded for the year, the first two being added during the twenty-four hours ended at noon to-day.

H. I. J. M. s.s. *Singawa*, (late Russian cruiser *Moscow*) arrived in port yesterday from a cruise in these waters. After coaling here she will proceed north.

LAM Hing, a bar-boy, employed at the Soldiers Club, Queen's Road East, was at the Magistrate's this morning with stealing two \$ banknotes on the 26th instant, the property of the manager, Mr. A. Thornhill. Mr. S. T. T. appeared for the defendant and asked for a remand. The case was accordingly adjourned until Thursday next.

THE Praya, Connaught Road and parts of Queen's Road, Central, presented a very gay appearance yesterday and to-day, large numbers of Japanese and French flags floating from flagpoles of many of the more prominent edifices, while a certain hotel had in evidence, besides the above, the flag of Great Britain, America, and Germany.

LEAVE of absence on private affairs to the neighbouring countries has been granted to Lieutenant E. H. Lovell, Royal Garrison Artillery, from 20th March to 30th June, 1906, and to the undermentioned officers of the 12th Battalion:—Lieut. W. K. Cook, (Attached) from 3rd April to 1st July; Lieut. C. M. T. Weston, from 3rd April to 1st July; and Lieut. S. Usher, from 1st April to 10th July.

A CHINESE woman arrived in the Colony yesterday morning from the interior. Being a stranger she could not find her way about. She inquired from some coolies on the wharf to direct her to certain friends, but they denied knowing the way. She was about to move away, when suddenly she was pounced upon from behind, and a bundle of clothing, etc., which she held, was snatched from her hand, and one man cleared. She gave chase, yelling "thief." A policeman joined in and arrested the coolie. He was placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland this morning, and sentenced to three weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks.

ADMIRAL Shimamura has presented Mrs. Villiers Hutton with two handsome vases containing specimens of the "Yume" plant—the plant peculiar to the production of the land of the Chrysanthemum—the characteristic of which is that it blossoms at intervals up the length of its bare branches, with never a leaf to be seen, the blossoms being exquisite little minatures of the camelia, in snow-flake white and cherry. These plants are greatly prized in Japan and are limited to such perfection that the uninitiated would almost invariably fail to tell, even after a fair inspection, which is the real, and which the replica, such close attention being paid even to the minutest detail.

AS previously announced, as part of the programme of the Unofficial Entertainment Committee's scheme of amusements for the Japanese Naval guests, some forty odd Japanese cadets accompanied by the same number of their British guides, had a fine outing yesterday afternoon when they tramped "over the hills and far away," their objective being Deep Water Bay. The roads were rather heavy for such a walk, but all seemed to enjoy it and arrived at the club house with fine appetites for the tea and other good things provided for them, and to these they did full justice. After tea they strolled about the grounds for a while and then embarked in the fleet of launches which had been very kindly placed at the disposal of the committee by various members of the community, and in them returned to the harbour, later rejoining their vessels, after what they described as a most inspiring outing.

AS usual the *Far Eastern Review*, the March number of which has come to hand, is a repository of commercial affairs which have a vital interest to residents in the Far East. Prominence is given to an article on "Another year's progress in the mineral development of the Philippine Islands." According to Mr. McCaskey, chief of the Mining Bureau, the outlook for a profitable mineral industry in the Philippines is more hopeful to-day than it has been at any time since American occupation. A *verbal* report of Mr. G. Bronson Read's evidence before a Congress Committee will interest those connected with the sugar industry. There is an article on the transportation of Chinese coolies to the Rand, and the second instalment of the series on the "capacity of the dock-yards and ship-building plants of Japan, which should be read by all concerned with shipbuilding and ship-repairing." There are other matters of general interest, and as usual the *Review* is crammed with illustrations. Its standard of interest and virility is well maintained.

## HONGKONG SCHOOLS' SPORTS.

After we had gone to press last evening, the unmentioned results were obtained at the Schools Sports held at Happy Valley:—

7 FURLONG FLAT RACE.—Past pupils only. Two prizes: 1. Y. M. Juman; 2. F. Drude. 100 YARDS THREE-LEGGED RACE.—Open. Two prizes: 1. H. Anderson and W. Wong; 2. A. Vidal and P. Elizaga.

SACK RACE.—(Under 15) Cp. n. Three prizes: 1. Macarandam; 2. J. M. Remedios; 3. A. H. Samy. Two-MILE BICYCLE RACE.—(Handicap.) Open. Past pupils only. Two prizes: 1. A. Carroll; 2. W. O. Lambert.

RACE.—Open to the Navy, Army and Police. (European). 1. Gr. Ches, 87th Co., R.G.A.; 2. Bom. Head, 83rd Co., R.G.A.; 3. Rom. Cross, 87th Co., R.G.A. At the conclusion of the sports, the prizes were distributed to the successful competitors by Dr. Bateson-Wright, head-master of Queen's College.

## TELEGRAMS.

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NANCHANG OUTRAGE.

CHINESE HOLD FRANCE RESPONSIBLE.

DEMAND INDEMNITY FOR PROTESTANTS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 27th March, 2.20 p.m.

The Chinese authorities declare that they will demand an indemnity from the French Government in respect of the outrage which occurred at Nanchang.

They maintain that, as the disturbances arose through the action of the French priests in Nanchang, France is liable for an indemnity to compensate the family of the Chinese Magistrate, who, they allege, was murdered in the French Roman Catholic Mission.

France will also be asked to indemnify the families of those Protestants who were murdered in the *francs*, and to supply funds which will be applied by the Chinese Government in repairing the damage done to British missions, as the result of the outbreak of popular feeling.

[Editor's.] Russia. London, 25th March.

The Russian Government is about to introduce an income tax.

Government returns show that 14,130 persons were killed, and 19,524 wounded in the internal disorders of 1905.

Football in the United States. The Columbia University is invoking the aid of the Rugby Union to introduce Rugby football into the United States.

Arrival of Japanese Crews in England.

The Japanese sailors for the new battleships have arrived at the Albert Docks, where they met with a hearty welcome from the spectators, with whom they fraternised.

Later. The Japanese sailors for manning the two battleships now in England, visited Greenwich Hospital yesterday.

## ALLEGED MANSLAUGHTER.

AT QUARRY BAY.

INDIAN WATCHMAN ARRESTED.

There was some excitement caused yesterday morning in Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's shipyard, at Quarry Bay, when it was learned that a coolie who, it was alleged, had been assaulted by an Indian watchman, had died. According to the information received, it appears that on the previous night a coolie employed by Lam Wo, contractor, committed a nuisance on the foreshore at Quarry Bay, and was sent away by the watchman. Yesterday morning, the Indian on going his rounds looked into a matched where several coolies were at work. Among them was the coolie in question. When the watchman opened the door of the matched, the accused coolie is reported to have asked the watchman: "What are you looking at?" The watchman, a alleged, to have replied: "You!" and walking up to the coolie is alleged to have slapped his face. Whether the coolie retaliated or not, or whether a scuffle ensued does not transpire, but it is averred that the watchman kicked the coolie on the left leg. The coolie attempted to run away, and the watchman seized hold of him and kicked him on the lower part of the leg. The Chinaman commenced to vomit, and fell to the ground. The unfortunate man died fifteen minutes afterwards. Inspector Robertson arrived on the scene, sent the body to the mortuary and arrested the Indian. This morning, before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne, Horby Rai, a watchman of Quarry Bay, was charged with killing a coolie named Y. King, about thirty-one years of age, at the shipyard, on the 26th instant. Mr. H. Gardiner appeared for the accused. Inspector Robertson, of Shau-ki-wan, gave evidence to the arrest of the defendant and the receipt of the body to the mortuary. Deceased is reported to have died from a ruptured spleen. On the application of Mr. Gardiner the case was adjourned for a week. Bail: \$150.

## SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE. American (Doric) 2nd inst. French (Ernest Simon) 2nd inst. Italian (Tatyana) 3rd inst. Indian (Empress of India) 10th inst. Barber Line s.s. *Salutina* sailed from Hongkong on 25th inst., and may be expected on 31st inst. The America Line s.s. *Shinano Maru* left Shanghai for this port on 26th inst., and is expected here on 30th inst.



## TELEGRAMS.

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## ILLEGAL PHOTOGRAPHY.

## FRENCH TOURIST TRAPPED AT SINGAPORE.

SHARPLY PENALISED BY MAGISTRATE.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Singapore, 27th March, 12.50 p.m.

A passenger who arrived by the French mail steamer from Saigon was arrested on a charge of taking photographs within the prohibited area in Singapore.

It was stated that the passenger in question took photographs of the forts overlooking the harbour.

The Court imposed a penalty of \$250, and ordered the camera to be confiscated.

[Reuter's.]

London, 26th March.

## Germany.

The Reichstag has adopted the Budget Committee's recommendation for striking out Marks 15,250,000 on behalf of reinforcements for Damaraland, and the Committee urged the necessity for the corps returning as soon as possible.

## HONGKONG PASSENGER CHARGES.

COMPLAINT FROM MANILA.

Under the heading "Hell up in Hongkong," a curious statement appears in the *Manila Times*, by which it would appear that the residents of that port are under the impression that shipping companies in Hongkong are overcharging passengers to Manila. The paragraph reads: "Complaint has been made of unjust charges by the Hongkong steamship officials, against residents of the Philippine Islands. The complaint comes from the family of Francisco Ramirez, of the local mercantile store known as La Puerta del Sol. Señora Ramirez claims that she was charged five pesos per head in Hongkong for herself and four children, before she could secure tickets from that port to Manila, one of the children being only one year old."

Señora Ramirez alleges that when she claimed to be a Filipino, the Hongkong steamship officials contradicted her, saying that she was too white to be a native of the Philippine Islands. She says that she inquired why the charge was made and was told that the money went to the support of the American Consul at Hongkong.

Inspector Collector of Customs W. Morgan Shuster was seen by a representative of the *Manila Times* and that gentleman stated that an almost similar case had been brought to his attention previously and he had addressed a letter to the Consul-General at Hongkong on the matter. He stated that the matter was purely an overcharge and in his letter, a copy of which follows, he drew the Consul's attention to it. The letter in question is dated 13th March, and is addressed to the American Consul-General at Hongkong. It reads:—

Sir:—Referring to the communication of the 7th instant from this office, re advice to the payment of \$500 as immigration or poll tax to steamship companies at Hongkong by aliens who intend to make the trip to ports in the Philippine Islands, I have respectfully to advise that the manager of the Bandmann Opera Company, who has arrived at Manila on the 10th instant, by the German s.s. *Willehad*, states that he was required to pay to the steamship company the sum of \$500 for each alien member of his company. Freely in the past similar reports have been received to the effect that persons were charged by steamship companies the sum mentioned, that is \$500. As pointed out in the above mentioned communication, and as will be found by reference to Section 1 of the Immigration Law (March 3, 1903), the lawful immigration dues are but \$120 for each and every passenger not a citizen of the United States, and as \$500 in the money of Hongkong is considerably more than a lawful equivalent for this tax, it is requested that you advise the steamship companies at your port in the premises, and also disseminate similar information among alien passengers intending to embark for the Philippine Islands, and who may make inquiries of you. This office cannot understand the reason or justice of the transaction of steamship offices at foreign ports collecting from passengers, and adding the amount to the cost of transportation, a sum in excess of that required by the plain terms of the law as payment for the immigration or head tax.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 27th at 12.5 p.m. The barometer has risen over E. Japan, and fallen over China, and the Looshoos.

A depression appears to be forming over the Eastern Sea. Pressure is high over S.E. Japan. Gradients have decreased and are slight in S. China, and moderate N.E. to N. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—E. to N. winds, moderate; cloudy, drizzling rain.

## CHINA SERVICE SHOOTING.

## MAJOR-GENERAL HATTON'S PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

On the New Parade Ground an unusually interesting function took place this afternoon, when the prizes won by those who entered the competitions organised by the China United Service Rifle Association were distributed by Mrs. Villiers Hatton. All classes in Hongkong were represented. There were representatives of the West Kents and native regiments, officers from the British fleet in port, a number of Japanese cadets, and a considerable gathering of ladies. His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan presided and was accompanied by His Excellency Major-General Villiers Hatton, and Mrs. Villiers Hatton, Colonel Price, Major Kelsall, the hon. secretary, and many others. The band of the West Kents played selections of music prior to the opening of the proceedings.

Colonel Price addressed a long statement on the subject of the work and aims of the Association. The object, he said, was to bring together all those who by the terms of their service had an allotted duty to perform in the defence of the Colony to foster a healthy rivalry, and to encourage rifle practice. Judging from the number of those who had entered the competitions he had no hesitation in saying that the meetings had exceeded their expectations. He thought the figures were entirely satisfactory. The Challenge Cup fell to Captain D'Oyly of the 19th Infantry—(applause)—while Sergeant Lapsley of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps took the second prize and bronze medal. Captain Price proceeded to go over the list of winners—whose names have already appeared—and thanked all those who had contributed to the prize fund, who had assisted the Committee, and who had ensured the success of the Association—(applause).

Major-General Villiers Hatton expressed satisfaction that Mr. J. R. M. Smith and Sir Paul Chater had come forward to assist the Association. They wanted civilians in the Association. They had been astonished at the work of the Volunteers, who had come in second in the competition in which they took part, and although he could not say he hoped they would win next year, he wished them success—(laughter and applause). The *Andromeda* also had done very well; he noticed they had been going over to Stonecutters' pretty often lately—(laughter). With regard to his own cup, he had tried to make the conditions under which it would be contested for, as practical as possible. An order would come in for 30 men to proceed to a certain point and hold that position until reinforcements came up. They must delay the enemy at all hazards. He had known a team at home lose or win a prize because of the presence or absence of what he called the "idiotic frill"—the wave of hair coming over the eyes. If a man's water-bottle was empty the team would not be disqualified—but the man would go thirsty. If a man got sunstroke—still the team would not be disqualified. The man might crawl up to his companions, or get a couple of Chinamen to help him, or get there by balloon. He did not ask them to make entrenchments. They might get behind a bunker and crawl into a rabbit hole. All he wanted was that the conditions should be practical. He praised the work of Colonel Price, Major Kelsall, Mr. Case Morris, and Mr. Northcote for their assistance to the Association, because they had put it to its legs (applause).

Mrs. Villiers Hatton then distributed the prizes.

Votes of thanks to Mrs. Villiers Hatton, the Governor, the Major-General and all who had contributed to the success of the Association were given, and the proceedings ended.

## ALLEGED ARSON.

At the Police Court this afternoon, Mr. F. A. Haz had on the bench, the further hearing of the case in which four men were charged with having, on 8th March, unlawfully and maliciously set fire to house No. 147, Wing Lok Street, with intent thereby to defraud Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, agents for the London and Lancashire and Royal Exchange Insurance Companies, of \$1,000; and Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company, agents for the North British Mercantile Insurance Company, of \$1,000 was continued.

Inspector Hanson presented and Mr. P. W. Golding, of Messrs. Brutton, Hett and Goldring, appeared for the defendants.

Sergeant Fenton said that an alarm of fire was given at No. 5 station at 1 a.m. on March 8. In consequence of the alarm witnesses went to No. 147, Wing Lok Street. On arrival at the scene witness went into the ground floor and found the fire burning fiercely. An hour afterwards the fire was completely extinguished.

The case was further adjourned.

## THE JAPANESE FLEET.

CONCLUDE THEIR VISIT.

Our Japanese naval guests departed this morning, leaving the harbour at half past eleven o'clock, for Manila en route to Australia. Shortly before 11 a.m. Mr. M. Noma, Japanese Consul, proceeded on board the *Yakushima*, Admiral Shimamura's flagship, to bid the Admiral and his officers and men good-bye, and God-speed, and through them to tender the same courtesy to the officers and crews of the two other vessels of the fleet. As the fleet got in motion the yards were manned, and the Admiral exchanged farewells with the British fleet, the flagship of which, the *King Alfred*, flew the Japanese ensign at the fore. The *Yakushima* then signalled "Thanks and a good-bye," and with that signal flying, and flags ensigns dipping from every vessel in sight, amid lusty responsive cheers from the crews of both the Japanese and British fleets, our Japanese guests sailed majestically out of the harbour, thus concluding what we can only hope was, to them, a very pleasant and profitable visit.

## SIR MATTHEW NATHAN'S BROTHERS.

## SEVEN "HOSTAGES" TO FORTUNE.

There is an interesting article in *Israel's Messenger* on the subject of H.E. Sir Matthew Nathan and his brothers. The *Messenger* remarks that "it is not often that seven distinguished 'hostages to fortune' spring from one family, but the seven sons of the late Joseph Nathan are a case in point;" and it proceeds to say that "Sir Matthew's position as Governor of Hongkong 'has called attention to the varied service this family gives the Empire over which the sun never sets.' It seems that the brothers are most strongly opposed to publicity. 'The Nathans are the journalists' despair.' Nevertheless, the *Messenger* has two columns about the family. None of the brothers was at a public school; they were all educated at home by tutors, and consequently had less opportunity for sport than most of their contemporaries." But where there are seven brothers unless they are veritable paragons there is certain to be sport, though it need not be of the rough shod order. The eldest, Sir Nathaniel Nathan is a half brother to the rest. He practised as a lawyer in the West Indies, became a K.C., was appointed a Justice of the Peace, and became Attorney General of Trinidad and Tobago in 1898. He has now retired. The next is Major F. L. Nathan in "the Gunners"—an acknowledged authority on cordite. The third is Sir Matthew Nathan, who is "a splendid chap to the right sort, but a terror to the 'slacker.' Sir Matthew's career is too well known in Hongkong to need repetition here. Mr. William Nathan is in the Indian Civil Service. The fifth is Mr. Robert Nathan "for whom the greatest career is prophesied, for he has been appointed secretary to Lord Carson, ex-Viceroy for India, and this can be the stepping-stone to the dizzy heights." He has the Order of the Indian Empire. The sixth on the list is Major Walter Nathan, the manager of the Chinese Engineering Company, while the youngest is Mr. George Nathan, a partner in the publishing house of Constable. He married a sister of Mr. O. E. D'A. Goldsmid, the heir of the late Sir Julian Goldsmid. The *Messenger* concludes "One cannot help wondering what effect the record of these seven brothers would produce on the Russian official mind. To the down-trodden thousands within the Pale it would appear a fairy tale."

## YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.

DIVIDEND DECLARED.

Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co., agents for the Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., kindly inform us that they are in receipt of a telegram from Shanghai, to day, advising that, at the forthcoming general meeting, the directors will recommend the payment of a dividend of twenty per cent. and a special dividend of five per cent. for the year 1905, and to transfer to the reserve fund a sum of \$50,000.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

The third month's competition for the 1906 Governor's Cup was shot over the 500 yards range.

There were a large number of entries and some good shooting was done.

Mr. Underwood heads the list with a score of 654-1-70, and is thus entitled to hold the Cup during April. Messrs. Underwood, Dobbs and Gray-Scott each receive spoons presented by the Association.

J. H. Underwood	604-10=70
W. Dobbs	604-10=70
T. Gray Scott	494-21=70
D. J. McKenzie	164-3=69
J. C. Gow	68 scr.=68
W. W. Pearce	49-10=68
J. H. Pidgeon	67 scr.=67
W. H. T. Davis	63-4=67
J. T. Douglas	47-20=67
T. P. Cochrane	48-18=66
G. K. Haxton	61-4=65
A. W. J. Watt	59-6=65
Ion. L. H. Lawrence	47-18=65
P. N. H. Jones	45-20=65
G. H. Wakeman	57-7=64
G. G. S. Forsyth	54-12=64
A. P. Nobbs	53-10=63
H. W. Fraser	53-10=63
A. Blouey	54-8=62
J. S. Lewington	52-10=62
J. M. Henderson	53-8=61
J. Hutchings	41-20=61
C. J. Allen	41-20=61
H. Macfarlane	50-10=60
C. H. W. Kew	41-16=60
W. Curwen	43-16=59
Sir F. T. Piggott	54-4=58
C. W. Brett	48-4=58
G. M. Harrison	32-24=56
P. J. Crist	39-16=55
T. K. Dealy	35-20=55
F. Matland	43-10=53
E. W. Terrey	39-14=53
Dr. E. Evan Jones	43-8=51
J. McCubbin	41-10=51

Mr. R. E. O. Bird put in the highest card for the tenth month's competition for the 1905 Governor's Cup and thus holds the Cup for the month of April, at the same time receiving a trophy presented by the Association.

R. E. O. Bird	604-10=70
C. E. H. Beav's	604-6=66
J. H. Pidgeon	64 scr.=64
J. C. Gow	64 scr.=64
W. H. T. Davies	56-4=60
A. W. J. Watt	54-6=60
R. H. King	40-20=60
Sir F. T. Piggott	55-4=59
J. Whitall	50-8=58
H. W. Fraser	46-10=56
H. T. Richardson	42-8=50

## LENDING POLICEMEN MONEY.

## SHARP COMMENTS BY THE JUDGE.

In Summary Jurisdiction this morning, His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, presiding, Manna Singh sued Ator Singh, for recovery of the sum of \$10 being the amount of money lent by the plaintiff to the defendant, and which sum was still due and owing. Plaintiff appeared in person, and Mr. F. Piggott Hett, of Messrs. Brutton, Hett and Goldring, represented the defendant, Manna Singh called, said he was the plaintiff in this case.

His Honour: Yes, I know all about that, and just tell him to be very careful what he says. He has been before me lately in two cases regarding the same amount, and he had better be careful that he tells the same story now he told then.

Plaintiff: Those are true words; I will tell the truth.

His Honour: Well, you had better try to do so.

Plaintiff: I am a watchman at Watson and Company's.

His Honour: Then you ought to be dismissed. Watson's watchmen are everlastingly in Court as plaintiffs in cases for money lent, and are getting notorious.

Plaintiff: I am a new man; I have only been there two months.

His Honour: And yet you have been before me three times already. I see that the defendant is a policeman, and there are too many of these cases against the police.

To the interpreter: Tell this man, Manna Singh, I am not going to have any more of these cases against the Police. This lending of money to the police has got to stop as I consider it demoralizing to the force. If any more of these cases come before me and the plaintiff obtains judgment I shall give an order for instalments so small that it will take ten years to pay it.

Mr. Hett said this was the third case between the same parties. The first one was for \$10 for money—

His Honour: Yes, and it was all wrong, and I dismissed it, but I don't see your name in that case.

Mr. Hett: No, my Lord, Mr. Thomson was in that case. I was instructed subsequently.

His Honour: Oh yes, yes; I see.

Mr. Hett: That case was all wrong, my Lord, and your Lordship dismissed it, but gave leave to bring a new action; a second action was brought for the same amount for money received on account of plaintiff and judgment and costs were given for plaintiff for \$20. The \$10 now claimed was included in the first case and therefore plaintiff now had no claim.

Mr. Hett proceeded to quote authorities, in support of his contention.

His Honour: I have no sympathy at all with this man, and scarcely think this \$10 is worth arguing about.

Mr. Hett said that the reason why he wished to push this case was because if the plaintiff obtained judgment in this case it was the intention of the defendant to apply for a re-hearing of the second case.

His Honour: Oh, then if you are going to apply for a re-hearing, I shall not decide this matter now, but let it stand over.

Mr. Hett: In the re-hearing plaintiff may obtain judgment for the full \$30 claimed.

His Honour: There will have to be very strong further evidence to induce me to alter that judgment and so go back on myself.

After further discussion, Mr. Hett said that the matter had been taken up by the Police. He understood, and the defendant stood a chance of losing his pension, if it was held this was borrowed money.

His Honour: And so he should lose it; he knows perfectly well he has no right to either lend or borrow money.

Mr. Hett: His pension is due in another two months.

His Honour: I can't help that; I won't decide this matter now but let it stand till Friday, and then you can let me know whether you decide to apply for a re-hearing. Will you bind yourself to do that? I cannot compel you.

Mr. Hett: Yes, my Lord, and if I decide not to apply for a re-hearing, will your Lordship decide this at once?

His Honour: Oh, yes, that will be but a simple matter; there'll be no trouble about that.

## THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The following is the 52nd report of the above Bank, presented at the half-yearly ordinary general meeting of shareholders held at Yokohama on the 10th inst.:

The directors submit to you the annexed statement of the liabilities and assets of the Bank, and profit and loss account for the half-year ending December 31st, 1905. The gross profits of the Bank for the past half-year, including Yen 609,720 brought forward from last account, amount to Yen 10,535,084, of which Yen 7,213,958 have been deducted for current expenses, interests, &c., leaving a balance of Yen 3,321,125. The directors now propose that Yen 300,000 be added to the reserve fund, raising it to Yen 10,303,000, Yen 1,000,000 be appropriated as special reserve fund, newly created, and Yen 200,000 be placed to the silver funds. From the remainder the directors recommended a dividend at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum, which will absorb Yen 720,000 of old shares and Yen 360,000 on new shares, making a total of Yen 1,080,000. The balance, Yen 673,125, will be carried forward to the credit of next account.

## A QUESTION OF PLANS.

Before His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, sitting in Summary Jurisdiction, the case of the Hung On Chan firm, of Nos. 83, 81, and 82, Connaught Road, Central, Chinese boarding-house keepers, against Tak Lee Loong, contractor, for recovery of the sum of \$821.60, being as to \$701.60 money paid by plaintiff to Y in Mo firm on defendant's account, and as to \$120, the price of a plan, drawn up for that work. Mr. Otto Kong "Sing" appeared for plaintiff and Mr. C. F. Dixon, of Mr. John Hastings' office, represented the defendant. Defendant brought a counter-claim of \$85 for balance due for work done. The plaintiffs in this case had contracted with the defendant to make certain alterations and put up certain cubicles, etc. in the premises, Nos. 80, 81 and 82 Connaught Road, which the plaintiff had recently purchased, so as to arrange the place for a Chinese boarding-house. Plans were submitted to and approved by the Public Works Department, and after a lapse of some weeks the defendant reported the work completed. The contract price was \$1,225 for the work, and of that \$1,140 had been paid, the balance to be paid after the Public Works Department passed the alterations. That Department did not pass them, stating that they were not in accordance with the plan submitted, and plaintiff called in the Y in Mo firm to complete the alterations, and engaged Mr. Brotherton Barker to draw up another plan. The total cost for the new work and the plan was the amount now claimed. For the defence it was submitted that the work was done according to verbal instructions, and that no plan was given and the work had been done according to those instructions and evidence in support was adduced. After hearing both sides His Honour gave judgment for defendant with costs, but made no order as to the counter-claim.

## COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

London—Bank T.T.	201 1/16
Do. demand	201 1/16
Do. 4 months' sight	201 1/16
France—Bank T.T.	258 1/2
America—Bank T.T.	50
Germany—Bank T.T.	210 1/2
India T.T.	154 1/2
Do. demand	154 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	71 1/2
Singapore T.T.	141 1/2 prem.
Japan—Bank T.T.	100 1/2
Yan—Bank T.T.	124 1/2

Buying.

4 months' sight L/E	2 1/3 1/16
6 months' sight L/E	2 1/3 1/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	50 1/2
4 months' sight do.	50 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	2 1/3 1/16
4 months' sight France	2 1/3 1/16
3 months' sight Germany	2 1/3 1/16
4 months' sight Germany	2 1/3 1/16
4 months' sight Germany	2 1/3 1/16
Bank of England rate	4 1/2
Sovereign	97 1/2

## Today's Advertisements.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR" .....	21st "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON" .....	28th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION" .....	5th May
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS" .....	12th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON" .....	12th "

## HOMEWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"KINTUCK" .....	24th "
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* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LPOOL	"HECTOR" .....	20th "
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SHANGHAI	"KIUKIANG" .....	29th "
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"YUNAN" .....	31st "
SHANGHAI	"YUEH" .....	31st "
CEBU and ILOILO	"KWEICHOW" .....	2nd April
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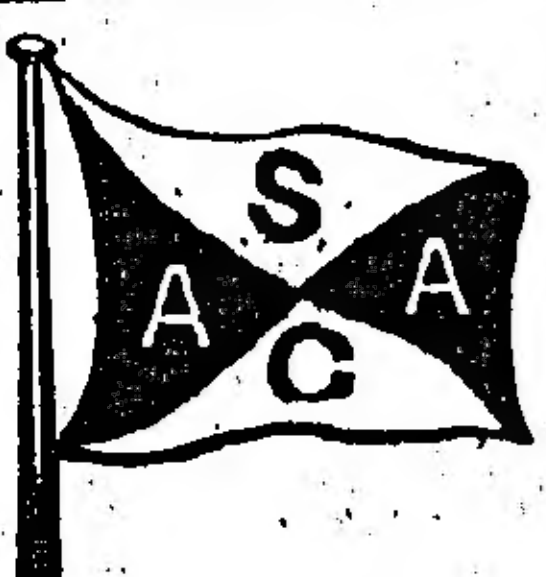
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THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"GLENFARG,"  
5,600 tons,  
will be despatched for CALLAO (PERU) on  
or about TUESDAY, April 10th, at Noon.For further information as to Freight and  
Passage, apply to  
K. MATSUDA,  
Manager,  
York Building.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1906.

## THE ORIENTAL PACIFIC LINE.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"DAKOTAH,"  
will be despatched for the above Ports, on  
or about 25th April.For Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1906.

## Consignees.

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH,"  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that their Goods, with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being  
landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous  
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-  
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-  
pany, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may  
be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M.,  
TO-DAY.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 2nd of April, will be  
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on MONDAY, 2nd April, at 9.30 A.M.All Claims must reach us before the 7th  
April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1906.

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"NECKAR,"  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that their Goods, with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being  
landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous  
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-  
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-  
pany, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may  
be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 8 A.M.,  
TO-MORROW.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-  
ing undelivered after WEDNESDAY, the 28th  
instant, will be subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on WEDNESDAY, 28th instant, at  
2.30 P.M.All Claims must reach us before the 2nd of  
April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1906.

## FROM HAMBURG BREMEN ANTWERP,

PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA,"  
Captain Schönfeldt, having arrived from the  
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for  
counter-signature by the Undersigned and to  
take immediate delivery of their goods from  
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice  
to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be  
landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazar-  
dous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon  
Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at  
Consignees' risk and expense.All Claims must be presented within ten  
days of the steamer's arrival here after which  
date they cannot be recognized.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-  
ing undelivered after the 29th March, 1906, will be  
subject to rent.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 29th March, 1906, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1906.

## F. BLACKHEAD &amp; CO.,

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CHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS  
AND GENERAL COMMISSION  
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Hongkong, 7th March, 1906.

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The S.S. "TONKIN," Captain J. Charbonnel, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 3rd April, at 1 P.M.

This steamer connects at Colombo with the Australian line s.s. *de la Clotilde* bound for Marseilles via Bombay and Aden.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:—  
S.S. *ARMAND BEHIC*... 17th April.  
S.S. *ERNEST SIMONS*... 1st May.  
S.S. *POLYNESIE*... 15th May.  
S.S. *SALEMIEN*... 29th May.  
S.S. *SALEMIEN*... 12th June.

C. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 21st March, 1906.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
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STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship "OCEANA,"

Captain W. Hayward, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 7th April, 1906, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's S.S. *Marmora*, 10,500 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and India for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer, proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Calcutta*, due in London on the 19th May, 1906. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 24th March, 1906.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.  
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Connecting at Tacoma with NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA, VIA

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Steamer. Tons. Captain. Sailing.

*Lyra*... 4,417 G. V. Williams 4th April

*Shawmut*... 9,606 E. V. Roberts 28th April

*Fremont*... 9,606 E. W. Garlick

*Hyades*... 3,753 J. Alwood

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For further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 15th March, 1906.

## REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK, VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL, (With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Steamship "About SHIMOSA" 5th April.

"DEN OF KELLY" 17th

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1906.

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A BROWN WALER (MARE) "KITTY,"

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Can be seen any day at Kennedy's Horse Repository, Causeway Bay.

No reasonable offer refused.

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1906.

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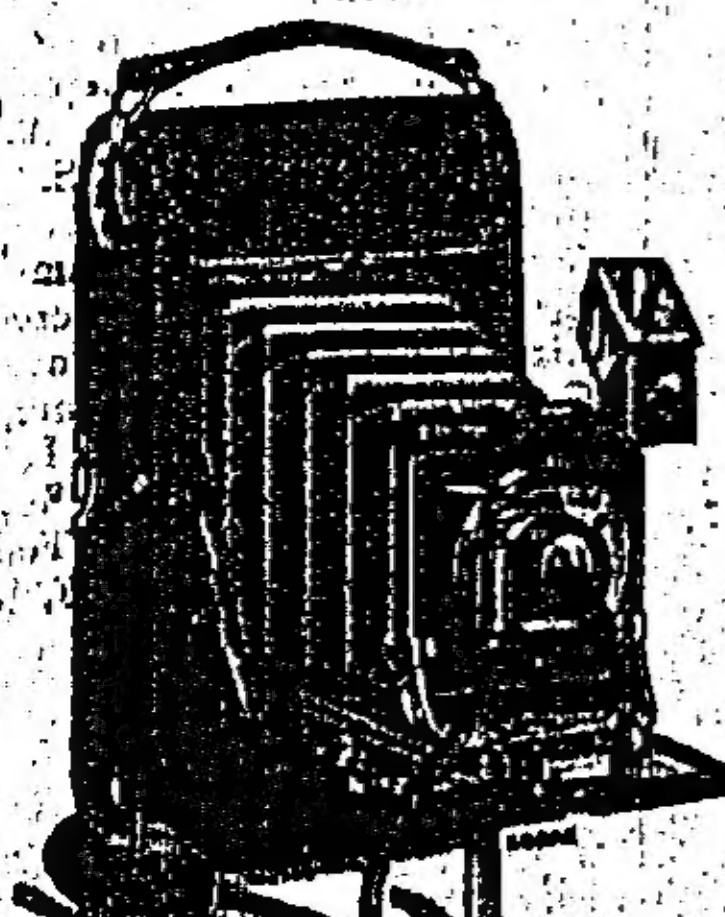
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Hongkong, 15th May, 1906.

## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given in "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	10,000	1125	1125	£1,000,000 \$9,500,000	31,699,777	£1 15/- div. and £1 bonus @ ex. 2/0 9/16 = \$26.87 for 2nd half-year 1905	5 1/2	(\$855 London 28 1/2 40 buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	67	65	\$200,000	\$41,768	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1905		
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	1250	550	\$1,600,000 \$147,895	\$211,540	\$20 for 1904	6 1/2	\$350 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	83.33	25	\$900,000 \$169,215 \$202,455 \$295,955	Nil.	\$4 1/2 for year ended 31.12.1905	5 1/2	\$96
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	115	65	£100,000 Tls. 50,000	Tls. 302,053	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1904	5 1/2	Tls. 50 sales
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	1250	1100	\$2,000,000 \$40,000 \$311,451 \$1,043,930 \$1,523,384 \$750,000 \$5,890	12,330,112	\$4 1/2 for 1904	5 1/2	\$795 sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	10,000	1100	560	\$1,000,000 \$239,418 \$25,618	\$426,284	\$12 and \$3 special dividend for 1903	7 1/2	\$ 77 1/2 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	70,000	1100	20	\$1,000,000 \$329,418 \$25,618	\$34,118	\$6 for 1903	7 1/2	\$185 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	1250	550	\$1,221,928	\$422,618	\$25 for 1904	14 1/2	\$100
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	225	225	16,000 \$261,638 \$88,041	16,563	\$ 1/2 for 1905	8 1/2	\$18 sales
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	550	550	\$200,000 \$500,000 \$114,331 \$120,000 \$241,150 \$3,999	Nil.	\$3 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1905	8 1/2	\$40 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	10,000	115	115	\$500,000 \$114,331 \$120,000 \$241,150 \$3,999	\$21,120	\$1 for second half-year 1905	8 1/2	\$ 5
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	10,000	110	110	\$200,000 Tls. 50 Tls. 50	\$4,435	12/- @ 1/101 = \$6.29 for 1904	8 1/2	\$93 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	110	110	\$200,000 Tls. 50 Tls. 50	\$4,435	Final Tls. 3 making Tls. 5 for 1905	8 1/2	Tls. 18 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	10,000	110	110	\$200,000 Tls. 50 Tls. 50	\$4,435	Final Tls. 4 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1905	7 1/2	Tls. 50 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	110	110	\$200,000 Tls. 50 Tls. 50	\$4,435	1/- (Coupon No. 6 for 1905)	4 1/2	24 1/2
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	110	110	\$200,000 Tls. 50 Tls. 50	\$4,435	\$1.80 for year ending 30.1.1905	4 1/2	\$32 buyers
						\$0.90	4 1/2	\$23 sellers
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